

**LODI CITY COUNCIL
SHIRTSLEEVE SESSION
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2018**

A. Roll Call by City Clerk

An Informal Informational Meeting ("Shirtsleeve" Session) of the Lodi City Council was held Tuesday, April 17, 2018, commencing at 7:01 a.m.

Present: Council Member Chandler, Council Member Johnson, and Mayor Nakanishi

Absent: Council Member Kuehne, and Mayor Pro Tempore Mounce

Also Present: City Manager Schwabauer, City Attorney Magdich, and City Clerk Ferraiolo

B. Topic(s)

B-1 Receive Presentation Regarding City's Use of Drones and Recent Lodi Police Foundation Donation of a Drone for Use by Police Department (PD)

Lieutenant Steve Nelson provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Lodi Police Department's Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Program. Specific topics of discussion included description of UAS; DJI Phantom 4 drone; Phantom 4 specifications; UAS uses - rooftop searches, large area searches, collision/crime scene photography, emergency management of natural disaster and hazardous incidents, and assistance to Lodi Fire Department; legal requirements for drone operation; Public Safety UAS Program; operating a UAS as a public entity; legal considerations; and privacy.

In response to Mayor Nakanishi, City Manager Schwabauer stated the Police Department's use of drones is separate from recreational use and an ordinance addressing the general public's use will come before Council at a later date.

Council Member Johnson suggested checking whether Stockton would be willing to assist Lodi in active scenes with its drones since it has many more of the low-cost drones and two of the more expensive, advanced drones. Lt. Nelson stated that, once Stockton is fully operational with all of its drones, it will have an excellent program and he will follow-up with the agency regarding the potential for assistance. He added that staff looked into purchasing an advanced drone through a grant, but the City did not meet all of the criteria. Council Member Johnson stated he believes the Police Department needs the advanced drone and suggested forward budgeting to ensure the Police Department has the necessary technology and equipment.

Myrna Wetzel questioned whether the City's drone will be painted or marked in a way that separates it from recreational use, to which Lt. Nelson replied in the affirmative, adding it will have the Police Department logo.

C. Comments by Public on Non-Agenda Items

Myrna Wetzel suggested Waste Management hold its annual waste disposal day more frequently, perhaps on a monthly basis, for residents to dispose of batteries, lights, and empty bottles of household hazardous waste items. The event draws so many residents that the line of cars waiting to enter is extremely long and it takes almost an hour to dispose of the items, all while generating hazardous fumes from idling cars.

City Attorney Magdich pointed out there is a county area drop off at the San Joaquin County Hazardous Waste Consolidation Facility near the Stockton airport that is open Thursdays through Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mayor Nakanishi requested staff contact Waste Management about the suggestion. Mr. Schwabauer responded it would be a challenge for Waste Management to have specialized household hazardous waste disposal equipment on site on a daily basis, but he will discuss the possibility of expanding the service with Waste Management.

D. Adjournment

No action was taken by the City Council. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 a.m.

ATTEST:

Jennifer M. Ferraiolo
City Clerk